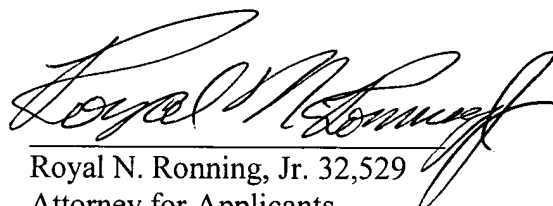


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Applicants respectfully assert that all amendments are fairly based on the specification, and respectfully request their entry.

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Claims (marked up copy showing amendments)

[Claims]

What is claimed is:

28. (once amended) A method as claimed in claim 26[or claim 27] wherein a vasodilator drug is coadministered to the subject.

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Claims (clean version encompassing amendments)

What is claimed is:

1. A combined preparation for simultaneous, separate or sequential use as a contrast agent in ultrasound imaging, said preparation comprising:
 - i) an injectable aqueous medium having gas dispersed therein; and
 - ii) a composition comprising a diffusible component capable of diffusion *in vivo* into said dispersed gas so as at least transiently to increase the size thereof.
26. A method of generating enhanced images of a human or non-human animal subject which comprises the steps of:
 - i) injecting a physiologically acceptable aqueous medium having gas dispersed therein into the vascular system of said subject;
 - ii) before, during or after injection of said aqueous medium administering to said subject a composition comprising a diffusible component capable of diffusion *in vivo* into said dispersed gas so as at least transiently to increase the size thereof; and
 - iii) generating an ultrasound image of at least a part of said subject.
28. (once amended) A method as claimed in claim 26 wherein a vasodilator drug is coadministered to the subject.

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29. A method as claimed in claim 28 wherein said vasodilator drug is adenosine.

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